

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)
CRNT-0034

First named inventor: Paul Kline

Application No.: 10/016,998

Art Unit: 2613

Filed: December 14, 2001

Examiner: David Payne

Title: Interfacing Fiber Optic Data with Electrical Power Systems

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1. Petition fee

☒ Small entity-fee \$ 770 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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In re Application of:

Confirmation No.: **4988**

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Application No.: **10/016,998**

Group Art Unit: **2613**

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For: **INTERFACING FIBER OPTIC DATA WITH ELECTRICAL POWER
SYSTEMS**

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Dear Sir:

Statement of Facts Establishing Unintentional Delay

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137(b), Assignee (Current Technologies, LLC) of the above referenced application has submitted herewith a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally and submits these Statements of Fact in support thereof.

1. The claims of the above referenced application were rejected in a Non-Final Office Action dated October 18, 2005.
2. On January 18, 2006, Applicant submitted a Reply. In addition to the Reply, the Applicant submitted an IDS and an accompanying 1449 form listing 40 prior art references.
3. On April 5, 2006, the Examiner issued another Non-Final Office Action stating that Applicant's Reply was unresponsive because Applicant failed to cite the relevant passages of the submitted prior art. The Office Action re-stated the previous rejections and did not consider

Applicant's amendments or arguments submitted in the Reply of January 18, 2006.

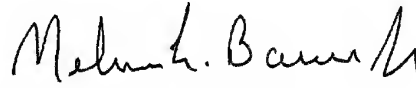
4. On April 20, 2006, and after speaking with Examiner Payne's supervisor (Mr. Jason Chan), Applicant and Examiner Payne conducted a telephonic interview in which Examiner Payne agreed to withdrawal the Non-Responsive Office Action, consider the prior art submitted, and issue a new office action. Examiner Payne stated that Applicant should wait to receive the new Office Action. Both Examiner Payne and his supervisor agreed that the Office Action incorrectly concluded that Applicant's Reply was non-responsive (there is no requirement to cite relevant passages in the submitted prior art).
5. On May 2, 2006, Examiner Payne faxed a summary of the telephone interview and, on the same day, Applicant filed a Summary of the Interview.
6. On October 17, 2006, a Notice of Abandonment was issued citing Applicant's failure to reply to the Office Action dated April 5, 2006 (the Office Action that Examiner Payne withdrew via the Interview Summary)
7. On October 31, 2006, Applicant filed a Petition to Withdrawal the Holding of Abandonment.
8. On September 26, 2007, the Decision on the Petition was mailed dismissing Applicant's petition.
9. Today, October 1, 2007, Applicant has submitted a Petition to Revive the Application for unintentional Abandonment.

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Date: October 2, 2007

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin L. Barnes, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

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